MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents

From: Gregory S. Nichols

Subject: Election of President of Board of Regents, State of Iowa

Date: April 12, 2004

Recommended Action:

Elect a Regent to serve as President of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, for the term beginning May 1, 2004, and ending on April 30, 2006.

Executive Summary:

Board action on this item must comply with the provisions of Iowa Code Chapter 262.9 and Board of Regents Policy Manual 1.04.

lowa Code Chapter 262.9 (1) states that the Board shall: Each even-numbered year elect from its members, a president of the board to serve for two years and until a successor is elected and qualified.

Identical language to the Iowa Code 262.9 (1) is found in 1.04 (B) of the Board of Regents Policy Manual.

In April 2002, Owen J. Newlin was elected by the Board to serve as President for a term from May 1, 2002 to April 30, 2004. The two-year May 1-April 30 presidential term for Board Presidents has been consistently utilized for many years. Therefore, consistent with precedent, the Board President term to be elected will be for the period from May 1, 2004 through April 30, 2006.

By precedent, either the Executive Director or Board President may preside over the Board session during consideration of this item by the Board. Nominations made do not require a second. Discussion on the nominations is in order unless determined otherwise by the Board. The vote must be taken by a roll call of individual members in open session.

The new President-elect will officially take office May 1 and will preside beginning with the May 18-19 meeting of the Board.

Gregory S. Nichols